COLORADO RIVER RECOVERY PROGRAM FY-99 ANNUAL PROJECT REPORT

RECOVERY PROGRAM PROJECT # 9

- I. Project Titles: Water Right Acquisition Consultant
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- III. Project Summary:

Due to complexities of water rights law in Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming, and the work involved in conducting water rights analyses, the Water Rights Acquisition Committee (WAC) retained the services of Water Rights Specialists to conduct water rights evaluations. The Specialists are available to the Recovery Program on an as-needed basis to perform work on individual water rights issues. Cost and performance deadlines were negotiated on a case-bycase basis. During 1999 there were no project identified for the water right consultant to work on.

- IV. Study Schedule: Initial Year 1991 Final Year Ongoing
- V. Relationship to RIPRAP: Green River Action Plan: Mainstem I.A.3.a
- VI. Accomplishment: No activity during FY-1999
- VII. Recommendations:
- VIII. Project Status: Ongoing and on track.
 - IX. FY-99 Budget:

Funds provided: \$ 20,000 Funds expended: \$ 0 Difference: \$ 20,000*

- * Each year \$20,000 to \$25,000 is set aside to be spent for the Water Rights Specialists (Consultant Services). These are Section 7 funds administered by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; funds not spent are carried forward from year to year.
- X. Status of Data Submission: Not applicable.
- XI. Signed: George Smith, December 30, 1999.

 Principal Investigator: Date:

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